AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-12: (canceled)

13. (previously presented) A method for processing an encrypted data stream within a computer system comprising the steps of:

receiving an encrypted data stream from a data storage device;

transferring said encrypted data stream from said data storage device to a data display device having a plurality of data display areas, said encrypted data stream being for output to one of said plurality of data display areas;

receiving a decryption key in said data display device, said decryption key relating only to said encrypted data stream associated with said one of said plurality of data display areas; and

decrypting, in said data display device, said encrypted data stream to produce a clear data stream for output to one of said plurality of data display areas.

14. (previously presented) A method according to claim 13 wherein said decryption key is received during an interval between transmission of successive images to said data display device and is protected by a suitable secure code.

15. (previously presented) A method according to claim 13 wherein said decryption key is received during an interval between transmission of successive lines of each image to said data display device and is protected by a suitable secure code.

16. (previously presented) A method according to claim 13 wherein:

data associated with the one of said plurality of data display areas is not displayed if the decryption key associated with the one of said plurality of data display areas is not received; and

data associated with others of said plurality of data display areas is displayed independent of the receipt or non-receipt of the decryption key associated with the one of said plurality of data display areas.

17. (previously presented) A method according to claim 16 wherein said data display device is a computer display and said data display areas are windows displayed on the display.

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18. (previously presented) Apparatus according to claim 16 wherein data associated with one of said others of said plurality of data display areas is an encrypted data stream having a decryption key that differs from the decryption key associated with the encrypted data associated with the one of said plurality of data display areas.

19. (previously presented) A method according to claim 16 wherein data associated with others of said plurality of data display areas is an unencrypted data stream having no decryption key.

20. (previously presented) A method according to claim 16 wherein said decryption key contains an indication of the number of data display areas associated with the data display device which display encrypted data.
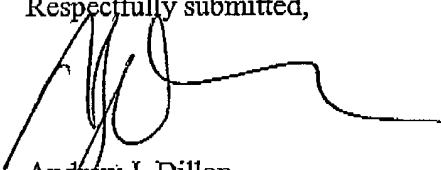
21. (previously presented) A method according to claim 16 wherein said decryption key contains an indication of the relative location of said data display area where said clear data stream is to be displayed.

22. (previously presented) A method according to claim 16 wherein said decryption key contains an indication of the size of said data output area where said clear data stream is to be displayed.

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CONCLUSION

No extension of time for this response is believed to be necessary. However, in the event an extension of time is required, that extension of time is hereby requested. Please charge any fee associated with an extension of time as well as any other fee necessary to further the prosecution of this application to **IBM CORPORATION DEPOSIT ACCOUNT No. 50-0563**

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